## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 16**

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Jane Winter upon being selected the 2012-2013 Principal of the Year by the Tennessee Department of Education.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding educational leaders who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Jane Winter is one such estimable educational administrator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the principal of Minglewood Elementary School, Jane Winter was recently selected as the 2012-13 Principal of the Year by the Tennessee Department of Education, an honor most befitting her tenure as a principal as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many lives; and

WHEREAS, Principal Winter is an extremely talented and compassionate administrator who has worked assiduously throughout her career in education to motivate her students, teachers, and staff to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Education, with this prestigious award, appropriately recognizes those remarkable school leaders who have served as advocates for education improvement across the state and implemented programs that have improved their individual school; and

WHEREAS, a forty-year educator and Principal of Minglewood Elementary School since 1994, Jane Winter began her career as a teacher in 1973 and has taught in California, Virginia, Georgia, Idaho, and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in California, she is a 1973 graduate of Fresno State University, where she earned an undergraduate degree in Elementary Education with a

specialization in Early Childhood Education, and received her master's degree in Administration and Supervision from Austin Peay State University in 1993; and

WHEREAS, she enjoyed forty-one years of wedded bliss with her beloved husband, the late Major Mike Winter, a twenty-year veteran of the Marine Corps, who provided her unconditional love and support until his untimely passing this past December; and

WHEREAS, Jane Winter truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues, faculty, staff and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Jane Winter epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated principal who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Jane Winter of Minglewood Elementary School on being chosen as the 2012-13 Principal of the Year by the Tennessee Department of Education, commend her exceptional service to the students and schools of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.